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SUBJECT: Garrison Policy Memorandum #19, Mandatory Pet Microchipping and Pet Control

1. References:

a. Army Regulation 40-905, Veterinary Health Services, 16 August 1994; which dictates all local facts concerning animal disease prevention and control, Veterinary and Provost Marshal roles, and installation requirements on particular animal matters.

b. 10<sup>th</sup> Mountain Division (LI) and Fort Drum Regulation 40-6, Control of Animals and Communicable Diseases of Animals, dated 15 October 1992.

2. This policy applies to all personnel assigned or attached to Fort Drum, and their respective family members occupying controlled or leased Army Community Housing. Pet ownership is a privilege.

3. **All newly assigned personnel arriving with privately owned dogs and cats will register their respective pet animal(s) at the veterinary treatment facility within three days of assignment to government quarters.** All pets will be microchipped at a nominal cost per animal. Personnel currently assigned have been required to have their pets microchipped since 31 January 2002. **Failure to comply with mandatory pet microchipping will result in the owner being notified in writing through his/her respective chain of command. Failure to comply after written notification will result in the animal(s) seizure by appropriate authority.**

4. Pet owners have the inherent responsibility to control their pets. Specifically:

- a. Control pets from wandering unsupervised and unleashed in common areas.
- b. Control pets from menacing behavior such as chasing vehicles, bikes or pedestrians; prolonged barking or howling; biting or habitual straying.
- c. Courteous cleaning up after one's pet immediately in common use areas and daily on the premises where the pet is housed.

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- d. Control pets from digging on another's premises or in common areas.
  - e. Maintain appropriate, humane care of pets (e.g., food, water, shelter from extreme weather, etc.).
5. Failure to comply with this policy may result in loss of on-post pet ownership privileges.

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Colonel, Military Police  
Garrison Commander

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